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Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

ON the agenda of the Knesset is a draft bill dealing with the security of the State and official secrets. Only an anarchist will deny the necessity for legislation in this area and there are not many anarchists today although States are not much better than during the lifetime of the late Prince Kropotkin. There is a need for legislation to supersede the uncoordinated regulations and laws still in existence — a legacy of the Mandatory's Official Secrets Acts. It would be more than gross negligence if the Government did not adopt this legislation: it is its duty to take the necessary steps to defend the country against those from without who would wish to destroy it, and those from within whose wish it is to overthrow the present democratic regime, whether in collaboration with outside forces or not.

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IT is common knowledge that there are considerable difficulties in carrying out these generally accepted principles: it has to be done with a minimum of infringement of civil liberties. And not only the wording of the law is important; much more so is its proper application. Some criticism has already been voiced, and, coming from the press, it naturally dealt with the clauses likely to prove repugnant to journalists. It is quite understandable, it is argued, that the Government should wish to preserve the secrecy of closed sessions, and of matters dealt with in Government or Knesset Commission meetings which it is not in the public interest prematurely to disclose. But the conceptions "secret", "classified" and "closed" should be defined in a much more clear-cut manner. Imprisonment for a period of up to three years for unauthorised publication, of most of the "secret" material of the so-called "closed" sessions, is not in itself a satisfactory way of safeguarding the security of the State. It is, moreover, a well known fact that Knesset Members and even Cabinet Ministers have been mainly responsible for those infrequent leakages which have occurred in the past, either out of carelessness, or from a desire to gain some party or personal advantage, or for even less savoury motives. What then, is to happen to these privileged personalities in the future?

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JOURNALISTS, naturally, are not the only ones menaced by the loose wording of the law. Our Cominform friends have already begun to move heaven and earth against the "reactionary, Fascist" legislation, which they say, will put an end to the last shreds of liberty and human freedom in this country. This, indeed, is one of the rare cases in which we might reach agreement with them. If they insist on condemning the Fascist character of the new laws, they might be asked whether they would not prefer to see adopted in this country the respective clauses from a criminal code which they would hardly define as Fascist; the Criminal Code of the U.S.S.R., published in 1950. This is one of the aspects of Soviet rule which is not shrouded in secrecy — the Code can be bought at every bookshop. According to Paragraph 58, most of the offences dealt with in our proposed legislation would be considered as espionage, treason, or sabotage and punishable with the death sentence.

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EVEN more interesting is the Soviet law of June 1947 defining a State secret. Apart from anything even remotely connected with military matters, it comprises all economic and financial information, all inventions and technical improvements, all geographical and geological information, as well as information dealing with scientific matters in general, with matters relating to foreign policy, and practically everything not published in "Pravda" (but even the spreading of information from this source might be punished if done in bad faith). And all this is not confined to spies, who would be executed in any case under Paragraph 58, but people casually and innocently disclosing information. A Soviet physician, for instance, who might have informed an Indian colleague about his work on a serum is liable to a term of ten to 15 years hard labour, according to Article Six of the law: "if the offence cannot be considered a case of espionage or treason". If it can, the case, of course, becomes much simpler.

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SOMEONE might do us a service by reading out to the Knesset the full text of the Soviet law as a possible alternative. It would be most interesting to see whether the Cominformists would prefer the proposed Fascist legislation to the progressive laws of their second homeland.

Jerusalem, December 30.

Socialists Reject Bidault Invitation To Share in Gov't

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — The Socialists tonight rebuffed would-be Premier Georges Bidault when he invited them to back him in a broad coalition to end France's week-old crisis.

M. Charles Lussy, leader of the Socialist parliamentary group, said M. Bidault proposed methods of "exceptional severity" to meet the crisis. The Socialist Party could not accept them.

Political circles have said that M. Bidault, Popular leader who took on the job of Cabinet making at President Auriol's request this morning, hoped for wider powers to deal with the financial situation. He is understood to want the Government to have power to impose certain laws by decree without lengthy parliamentary debate. He would like to include the Gaullists in his Cabinet but the Radicals are stated to be opposed to this.

M. Bidault will confer this morning with M. Edouard Herriot, President of the National Assembly, and M. Gaston Monnerville, President of the Council of the Republic, the Upper House of Parliament. He will also see M. Antoine Pinay, the outgoing Premier who resigned last Tuesday when the Popular Republicans announced that they would abstain in a confidence vote. Later in the day he will submit his programme to the different political parties.

Women's Work Bill Passes First Reading

The Knesset last night completed the first reading of the Women's Labour bill, which was introduced by the Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson.

The bill provides:

1. Work which because of physical or chemical conditions may harm women physically may be banned by the Minister of Labour.

2. Night work shall be banned except for women employed in certain essential Government services, health institutions, children's and old aged homes, newspapers, hotels, eating places and places of entertainment and certain administrative work. "Night" is defined in the law as a period of eleven hours including 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

3. Maternity leave shall be twelve weeks, at 75 per cent of full pay, of which at least six weeks shall be after the birth of the child. Employers shall pay maternity grants of IL.20 to women who do not qualify for grants under the government social insurance plan. There are also restrictions on overtime work by women in their sixth month of pregnancy and a prohibition on the dismissal of pregnant women or women on maternity leave without the consent of the Minister of Labour.

During the debate, Dr. Ben Zion Hayell (General Zionist) estimated that the measures would cost the economy IL.10-12m. a year.

Mrs. Myerson disputed the estimate saying that under the British Mandatory law now in force maternity leave was eight weeks at 75 per cent of wages, while many collective agreements provided for two months' leave with full pay. The new measure would not increase the burden upon employers to any great extent, she said.

The Minister also made it clear that once the National Insurance Bill was passed, the maternity grants would be covered from that source and the provisions in the current bill would not apply.

The House later also passed the first reading of a bill authorizing the Minister of Labour to increase payments to army reservists in accordance with increases in the cost-of-living.

Saphir, Serlin Swap Becomes Official

The exchange of portfolios whereby Mr. Yosef Saphir became Minister of Communications and Mr. Yosef Serlin, Minister of Health, became official yesterday when it was announced to the Knesset by Prime Minister Ben Gurion.

Mr. Saphir, who was absent in the U.S. last week when the other members of the Cabinet were inducted, signed the pledge of office yesterday.

The pledge of office was also taken yesterday by Mr. Ya'acov Nizani, who will replace President Ben-Zvi as a Mapai Knesset Member. The new Knesset Member, who is 52, came to this country from Bulgaria in 1935 and was an official of the Histadrut.

SHAPIRO TAKES UP NEW DUTIES

The Minister for Social Welfare, Mr. Moshe Shapiro, took up his duties yesterday after meeting the heads of the various departments. Mrs. Hannah Even-Tov, who had filled the post of Director General of the Ministry for the past few months, introduced the new Minister to the officials. On behalf of the workers at the Ministry, Mrs. E. Bloch bade farewell to Mrs. Even-Tov.

Yugoslavs, Greeks and Turks Join in Defence

BELGRADE, Monday. — Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey have completed the main outline of a mutual defence alliance, according to a despatch released here. The terms are to be issued later in a written agreement.

The agreement would definitely make the Yugoslav armed forces a vital factor in the strategy of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, the despatch said. Although a recipient of military aid from the U.S., France and Britain, Yugoslavia is not a NATO member.

The only loophole in the tripartite military agreement had been Yugoslav hesitance to put commitments down on paper. But the programme for cooperation among the three countries appeared to have been made clear all round and Marshal Tito had conceded that if the situation ever became critical enough he would sign regional military agreements with the Western powers as had Greece and Turkey.

In Athens today, the Greek Premier, Marshal Papagos, told newsmen, "I consider that collaboration among Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia is indispensable for securing the defence of the Balkans." He added that the tripartite talks would be continued with the hope of future Italian participation.

The Greek Foreign Minister, Mr. M. Stephanopoulis is to meet his Turkish counter-part, Mr. Fuad Koprulu, today on the latter's way home from Rome. The Greek Minister will inform Mr. Koprulu of the progress of the talks now being held in Athens with the Yugoslav military mission. (AFP, Reuter)

Soviet Bloc Missions To Be Purged of Jews

By George Lichtheim,
Jerusalem POST Correspondent

LONDON, Monday. — East European foreign services are to be purged of all their Jewish members within the next few months, it is reliably learned here. Instructions to this effect were recently received by the satellite governments from Moscow.

They relate not only to ordinary diplomatic staffs, but also to the much larger unofficial missions attached to Soviet and satellite embassies. The Soviet Embassy in Rome, for instance, employs some 200 officials, although only 24 appear in the diplomatic list. Satellite embassies and consulates are similarly organized.

High Proportion

The proportion of Jews among the staffs appears to be highest in Polish and Czechoslovak services although Hungary and Bulgaria are also affected. It is believed that Jewish officials who are accompanied by their families will be recalled first and transferred to other jobs. They are clearly regarded as being the most likely to escape. The turn of unattached persons will come later.

Those already recalled include some prominent figures such as Mr. Julius Katz-Suchy of the Polish U.N. delegation who recently suffered an unexplained motor accident in New York after receiving orders to return home.

Eisler Loses Post As E. German Propagandist

BERLIN, Monday (Reuter). — Gerhart Eisler, "America's No. 1 Communist" before he fled behind the Iron Curtain three years ago, has lost his job as propaganda chief of the East German government. The Government today announced that its Ministry of Information which he headed, would be dissolved on January 1.

It described the move as part of "government reorganization". Premier Otto Grotewhol is to take over the Ministry's duties through his own press office, the announcement said. It made no mention of Eisler personally.

USSR Repeats Protest To Britain on Leaflets

BONN, Monday (Reuter). — The Soviet Union has lodged a second protest with the British authorities against the alleged dropping of "hostile" leaflets on October 23 by a British plane over East Germany, a British High Commission spokesman said here today.

The second note would be studied by the British High Commission here as to whether it contained anything new. So far as was known it warranted only one comment — a categorical denial, the spokesman declared.

Nine Communists In Morocco Deported

RABAT, French Morocco, Monday.—A group of nine Communist leaders, arrested today in various Moroccan cities have been deported to France. French police said they had taken a prominent part in Communist propaganda here. The Communist Party is illegal in the French Protectorate.

Two French residents of Morocco were refused re-entry from France today.

A leader of the Moroccan nationalist movement, El-Alaqui, cousin to the Sultan, was ordered to leave France by midnight tonight, it was learned from Paris, because, according to the police, his attitude was "incompatible with that of a Moroccan subject."

In the Jewish quarter of Fez today, Hebrew leaflets were distributed calling on Moroccan Jews to leave for Israel to avoid the consequences of future riots. (AFP, AP, Reuter)

British Civil Airlines Get Priority over Arms

LONDON, Monday (AP). — The Government today gave three civil airlines the highest production priority any British product can get, thus officially rating their manufacture as more important than most of the armaments needed to build up Western defence.

The Government put three jet liners in the "super priority" classification introduced by Prime Minister Winston Churchill last March as a means of speeding the flow of modern planes to the R.A.F. Super priority means the planes have first call on this nation's scarce raw materials, skilled manpower and other resources ahead of many badly needed armaments.

10,000 Asians on Strike At Singapore Base

SINGAPORE, Monday (Reuter). — Ten thousand Asian workers at Singapore naval base went on strike today but union leaders called on their followers to avoid trouble.

The strike is the climax of a long standing dispute between the naval authorities and the workers unions over claims for better cost-of-living allowances, improved medical facilities, pension rights and more paid and sick leave.

About 800 men kept essential services going at the dockyard and other naval establishments and 100 Singapore civil police helped 300 naval base police on emergency guard. A naval spokesman said the strike would seriously slow down the refitting of British warships but everything would be done to refit those needed in Korea.

Korean Front Quiet After Chinese Attack

TOKYO, Monday (Reuter). — The Korean battlefront was quiet today, following the fiercest action for a fortnight last night when South Koreans on Sniper's Ridge drove back a Chinese attack.

Details of yesterday's attack by 300 U.N. bombers on barracks and headquarters south-west of Pyongyang estimated that 70 buildings were destroyed, many others damaged and large explosions caused.

Meanwhile, at Panmunjom, the U.N. rejected two Communist charges of violation inside the Panmunjom neutral zone but admitted two others and apologized for an unintentional violation of the zone on December 20.

A North Korean prisoner was shot and killed on Koje Island last Friday after assaulting an American guard, the U.N. Prisoner of War Command said tonight. The prisoner refused to return to work after a break and tried to get other prisoners to refuse, the statement added. When the guard repeated his orders the prisoner tried to take his weapon, grabbing it by the bayonet. The guard stepped back and shot the prisoner.

MANILA ROUND-UP

MANILA, Monday (Reuter). — The screening of 314 Chinese rounded up by the Philippines Army during the week-end as suspected Communist agents began here today. Twenty-five have already been charged before a government deportation board with subversive activities.

More arrests are expected and the total may reach 400, an army spokesman said. Masses of documents were seized when the arrests were made and are now being studied by the army. Truckloads of firearms were also brought in.

Britain Not Admitting Iran Claim to Bahreins

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — A Foreign Office spokesman said here today that Britain has never admitted a Persian claim to the rich oil-producing Bahrein Islands in the Persian Gulf.

He was commenting on press reports that Persian Premier Mohammed Mossadegh had included the Bahrein Islands in the 1953 Persian electoral register. Bahrein is a British-protected independent sheikhdom. Persia laid claim to the Bahrein archipelago before, and the British Government in reply to a Persian note last July stated that it had on no occasion acknowledged the sovereignty of Persia over the islands.

EZARD NAMED ENVOY TO COSTA RICA

LONDON, Monday (AP).—Mr. Clarence N. Ezard, Britain's Consul-General at Haifa, has been appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at San Jose, Costa Rica, the Foreign Office announced today.

T.A. Makes Ben-Zvi Freeman As Crowds Cheer

By Victor Segev

TEL AVIV, Monday. — President Ben-Zvi, on the first of his official tours of the country, was today the guest of Jaffa-Tel Aviv where he received a warm welcome from thousands of cheering residents. He was given the Freedom of the City at a special ceremony at the Municipal Council Hall in the afternoon.

The President arrived from Jerusalem accompanied by Mrs. Ben-Zvi and his A.D.C. The party was met at the outskirts by Mr. Y. Nedivi, Town Clerk, and by Mr. Yoav Peleg, District Superintendent of Police.

Changing from his official car for the open car of Mr. Nedivi, the President rode to Town Hall where Acting Mayor Haim Levanon received him officially in the packed circle in front of the Hall, as citizens climbed rooftops and crowded verandas.

Rides in Open Car

The cavalcade of cars, with the President in the open car waving his hat to the crowds who lined the streets, went to the Shevach Municipal Vocational School where Mr. Ben-Zvi was shown about by Mr. Ismar Mendelsohn, Director. He stopped at the blacksmithy where a group of boys were pounding with all their might on slabs of red-hot iron, too shy to look up from their work.

Mr. Ben-Zvi stopped the boys and told them that it was devotion such as they had exhibited with their hammers that would build Israel. Mrs. Ben-Zvi tested some pupils on their knowledge of the Bible and showed special interest in 15-year-old Ya'acov Baker, a disabled youngster who had escaped the European holocaust and who had been a pupil of hers at the Ein Karem School where he had distinguished himself in his studies.

Visits Housing Project

The President then visited the new municipal housing project now under construction for those who had lived for the past three decades in the slums of the Caucasian Quarter. The entourage was halted on the Laguardia Road in Yad Eliahu by about 1,000 school children and kindergarten infants, who carried flags. One girl presented Mrs. Ben-Zvi with a bunch of flowers and received in return a big hug and kiss.

On his way from Yad Eliahu to Gan Ha'atzmaut the President stopped at the Megurim Quarter where more flowers were handed and showered on Mrs. Ben-Zvi. She asked that they be sent immediately to Municipal Hospital to be given to patients in the maternity ward.

Mr. Ben-Zvi asked to be taken to Tel Aviv Port, which was not on the schedule. There he was met by the Port Commandant, Mr. B. Liberman and the Secretary-General, Mr. D. Lotzki. The President was shown the plans for a deep water port for Tel Aviv and remarked that history had it that at one time the Hayarkon River had been a winter port. The Town Clerk told him that to build a port in Tel Aviv would require at least [illegible], and Government approval.

Chats in Turkish

Mr. Ben-Zvi chatted at length in fluent Turkish with Mr. David Ashkenazi, veteran of the Haifa, Jaffa and Tel Aviv ports, a one-time port worker in Salonika.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were entertained to lunch at the Ramat Aviv Hotel by the Acting Mayor; the District Representative; the President of the District Court Dr. N. Bar Zakai, the District Superintendent of Police; the Military Commander of the area; Mr. Nedivi and veteran councillors Mr. S. Shoshani, Mr. E. Peri and Mr. A. Kamini.

At 3 o'clock the visitors went to Abu Kebir to tour the Municipal Archaeological Museum. Mr. Y. Kaplan, the archaeologist, was their guide. A tour of the old section of Jaffa followed.

The municipal youth club in Hassan Bek was surrounded by thousands when the presidential party arrived to inspect the well equipped club.

At the Municipal Council Hall in Tel Aviv Mr. Levanon, Mr. Shoshani and Mr. Kamini paid tribute to the President and presented him with the scroll making him the 24th Freeman of the City.

After dinner at the Ramat Aviv Hotel with Mr. Levanon this evening, the President had an informal meeting with the Writers Association at Bet Bialik. He is due to return to the Capital tomorrow morning.

The party to have taken place in the s.s. Artzah in Haifa tomorrow, at which the President was to have met the organizers of "Aliyah Bet" and Haifa Haganah leaders, has been cancelled, as the President has postponed his visit to Haifa.

Egypt Revives Demand British Quit Suez

CAIRO, Monday (AFP). — Premier Mohammed Nagib told a press conference here last night that Britain could not hope for friendly relations with Egypt without immediate and complete evacuation of the Suez Canal Zone. His chief aide, Colonel Jamal Abdul Nassar, was quoted in today's "Al Akhbar" as having told a "New York Herald-Tribune" correspondent that Nagib's Government would lead a guerrilla war against Britain if other means failed to achieve British withdrawal from the Suez.

Nagib told his press conference that Britain must first accept the principle of Sudanese self-determination and take immediate steps to withdraw from the Canal Zone. "No army save ours should defend the land of our ancestors," he said.

Nassar in his statement recalled: "For the past 70 years the British have promised to evacuate the Suez Canal Zone. So far they have done nothing. Egypt cannot agree to any further delay.

"If, after our conscious efforts, the new government finds itself unable to rid the country of British occupation, be sure that the leaders of the revolution will leave the government and conduct the people's struggle in war against the British.

"This would not be a formally declared war, but a guerrilla campaign, a war of commandos. Bombs would be thrown at night; British soldiers would be killed in the streets. Our commando operations would be conducted on a scale vast enough to make the British understand that they are paying too high a price for the occupation of our territory.

"Should the worst come to the worst, the history of our fight will be a replica of Samson's struggle as it is told in the Bible. We will have the temple collapse over our heads if it is necessary in order to smash the heads of the enemies who refuse to leave us."

At a press conference here tonight the Government's military spokesman, Colonel Anwar Sadat, said he was "hopeful of an Anglo-Egyptian agreement on the Sudan soon."

Commenting on Nassar's statement he said: "The declaration by Colonel Nassar does not go as far as seeking the devil. But I want to make it quite plain that we ask for our full independence."

General Nagib yesterday dropped several more members of his administration in the continuing purge of Egypt's political life.

Undersecretary of State for Religious Affairs, Mohammed e-Banna, and the Controller of Supply, Ahmed Khair e-Din, were dismissed and the Undersecretary for Education, Gaffar e-Nafarawi and Undersecretary for Agriculture, Hamed Sirry, have resigned.

Nagib has appointed Fuad Jalal, Minister of National Direction, to be general censor.

Britain Not Sharing 'Gloomy' Cairo View

LONDON, Monday (UP). — An official source here today said "it would be wrong to express either optimism or pessimism" on the question of a settlement with Egypt on the Sudan. He added that the British Government did not share the gloomy view voiced by reports from Cairo.

Britain still believes agreement can be reached on the Sudan without much further delay, the source said, adding that negotiations will be resumed shortly.

25 Suspects Held For Syrian Plot

Seven senior army officers have been retired and 18 others dismissed, according to a decree issued in Damascus last night by Colonel Fawzi Selo, Syrian Premier and Chief of State. A communique announced that a number of junior army officers had been detained accused of plotting against the country's interests with extremist members of political parties.

Heading the list is Colonel Anwar Bannoud, an old rival of Colonel Shishakly, who replaced him as C-in-C last year. Last April Colonel Bannoud was ousted from active service by Shishakly and appointed military attache in Ankara, a post he declined to accept.

Another top officer dismissed is Colonel Aziz Abdul Karim, who accompanied Shishakly on his recent visit to Cairo. Eighteen on the list are officers above the rank of major.

Shishakly's Relative Held

According to ANA, some former leaders of the Syrian Nationalist Party now called A-Nahda (Revival) Party, have been detained in connection with the plot. They include Akram Hourani, a brother-in-law of Shishakly, Michael Aflak, a former president of the party and Salah e-Din Beitar, former secretary-general.

Opposition to the present regime was shown in Aleppo on December 3, Syrian Independence Day, when a bomb exploded at the local h.q. of the Arab Liberation movement, supporters of Shishakly, INA reports. It is reliably learned from Beirut that members of the banned Arab Socialist and People's Parties were arrested for the incident.

Egypt Trades Cotton For Spanish Sugar

CAIRO, Monday (Reuter). — Egypt and Spain have agreed to exchange 15,000 tons of Spanish sugar for Egyptian cotton, a spokesman of the Finance Ministry announced tonight.

The barter agreement is for £635,500.

The spokesman said this was the first of a series of barter agreements the Government expects to make with the Governments of Poland, Czechoslovakia, Russia and other countries to dispose of Egyptian cotton still unsold. Russia, he said, had offered to barter karnak long-staple cotton for supplies of Soviet wheat, oil, timber and other goods.

Lebanon Complains Of Arab States' Hostility

The Lebanon has protested to the Arab League against the hostile attitude of certain other Arab states, ANA reported from Beirut.

During the recent League Political Committee meeting in Cairo, Mussa Mubarek, Lebanese Foreign Minister, is said to have voiced complaints against Syria for "obstinately refusing to cooperate" with the Lebanon and for maintaining a boycott. He also criticized Egypt for refusing to buy Lebanese fruit and vegetables which have been repeatedly offered.

Egypt has rejected a Lebanese proposal to cancel visa requirements between the two countries, ANA added.

2 Legionnaires Hanged For Treason

Two Arab Legionnaires, recently sentenced to death by a military court for spying for Israel, were hanged in Amman central prison on Sunday morning, Radio Ramallah reported yesterday. The two, Yosef Mohammed Hawari and Suleiman Abdul Fatah, are both from Arab Palestine villages, and are reported to have admitted the charges made against them. The sentence had been approved by the Legion's C-in-C, General Glubb.

The Syrian Court of Appeal in Damascus yesterday approved death sentences passed by a military court on eight Syrians charged with spying for Israel, NEABS reported.

M.A.C. Chairman Fired At While Probing Syrian Attack

An Army spokesman stated yesterday that the chairman of Israel-Syrian M.A.C. was fired at when he went out on Sunday to investigate the shooting in the Tel Katzir area.

The Syrian attack on the settlement was carried out as a full military operation, the spokesman said.

TIBERIAS, Monday. — The meeting of the Israel-Syrian MAC that was to have taken place in the Tel Katzir area today was postponed, and no date for a further meeting was fixed.

Reports from Tel Katzir today say that there was complete quiet in the kibbutz and its surroundings. All the workers went into the fields today and they were not disturbed. The 300 dunams in the eastern part of their land, which was under fire last week, have now been ploughed and sown. On the rest of their 2000 dunams which lie in the demilitarized zone, work is proceeding normally. Life in the kibbutz has not been affected.

Arms to Arabs No Contravention Of Accord—Britain

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — Official quarters here today denied that the supply of arms to certain Arab states contravened the three-power declaration on the Middle East of March 25, 1950, by Britain, France and the U.S.

Britain has received assurances from the Arab states concerned that these arms will be used only for defensive purposes, these quarters added.

(Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett charged Britain and the U.S. in Tel Aviv yesterday with acting at variance with the declaration by supplying such arms).

It was pointed out in London today that Britain is generally anxious to help the Middle East countries defend themselves against possible aggression and is specifically bound by treaty to supply arms to Egypt, Iraq and Jordan. The Israel Government is fully aware of Britain's views on supplying arms to the Arab countries, official quarters said.

Mr. Eliahu Elath, Israel Ambassador, discussed the matter last month with a Foreign Office official.

The Foreign Office announced today that five Middle East states — Israel, Syria, Egypt, Iraq and the Lebanon — had been told they could buy certain British jet aircraft. Delivery dates and the numbers of aircraft, which are limited, must be negotiated between the manufacturers and the countries concerned.

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State Department Has No Comment

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — The State Department had no comment today on the "serious warning" issued by Mr. Moshe Sharett yesterday concerning deliveries of arms to Arab states by the Western Powers.

At his daily press conference the Department's spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, said the Department may have some comment to make after the situation has been looked into.

LIBYA JOINS ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

Libya has officially informed the Arab League of her intention to share in the League's boycott of Israel, ANA reports from Cairo.

The League has requested the Sheikh of Kuwait, the British protectorate on the Persian Gulf, to join the boycott movement and to prevent crude oil from reaching the Haifa refineries, the report says.

McCarthy to Investigate Colleges for Communists

WASHINGTON, Monday (AP).— Senator Joseph McCarthy said today one of the first things he will do in the new Congress will be to investigate the nation's colleges in a search for subversive influences.

"It will be a highly unpleasant task," he said, adding he expects "all hell" to break loose. "They will be screaming about interference with academic freedom."

But the Senator indicated he believes it is of pressing interest to root out what he called "Communist thinkers" from the nation's colleges. He said he would rather see that expression than the base word "Communist."

McCarthy's statements were published in the weekly news magazine, "United States News and World Report." He is about to become Chairman of the permanent Senate Investigation Committee.

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IT is not often in these times that we can offer our regular readers special privileges. But the willing reception to our Book Offer ("COLUMN ONE" by David Courtney) which we made available to subscribers at the beginning of the October Quarter has shown us the appreciation of hundreds of regular readers all over the country.

It is because of this that we now have so much pleasure in repeating our offer to those of our readers who are renewing or taking out new subscriptions in January. The price of the book in the shops is IL.2.950 and the reduced prices we are offering are given below.

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Social & Personal

A farewell reception was held on Sunday for Dr. Dov Joseph by officials of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The sum of IL.300 was collected in the name of Dr. Joseph toward the new Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

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Mr. Behor Shitreet, the Minister of Police, and Mr. Yosef Nachmias, Deputy Inspector-General of Police, returned by El Al yesterday after a six-week visit to the U.S. on behalf of the Bond Drive.

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The Knesset Legislation Committee gave a reception last night for Mr. Haim Cohen, who relinquished his post as Minister of Justice and resumed that of Attorney General.

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Professor A. S. Hartoum was the guest of honour at a reception held by the Hebrew Writers' Association at Bet Shalom, Jerusalem, last night, in celebration of the publication of his commentary on the Book of Isaiah.

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Dr. Alexander Klein, Professor of Architecture at the Technion, and Mrs. Klein, have returned from a lengthy trip abroad. Prof. Klein participated in the Committee on Town Planning of the International Union of Architects at Lausanne, and later assisted in the work of the American Technion Society in New York.

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Dr. N. Wydra, Director of the Zim Israel Navigation Company, has returned to Israel from a visit to Europe on behalf of the Company.

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Mrs. Mildred R. Mottahedeh, of U.S., a representative of the Bahai International Community to the U.N., is visiting Haifa on a pilgrimage. She is the guest of His Eminence Shoghi Rabani.

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Mr. Alexander Tzur, head of the Police Training Branch, and Police legal adviser, has resigned from the Force and will resume private law practice on January 1.

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The resignation of Mr. Yitzhak Katz, for 27 years Secretary-General of the Tel Aviv Chamber of Commerce, takes effect on January 1.

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On the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the death of Prof. L. Farkas, a lecture, arranged by the Hebrew University and the Department of Physical Chemistry, will be given by Prof. F. Ollendorf, of the Technion, on "Mass Accelerators (Cyclotron, Synchrotron, etc.)" at Bet Hahalutzot, 14 Rehov Ibn Gabirol, Jerusalem at 3 p.m. tomorrow.

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Dr. H. Sonnabend, formerly Lecturer in Sociology at Witwatersrand University (South Africa) will give the second of his two guest lectures (in English) under the auspices of the Hebrew University on "Power and Persuasion" at 8.30 this evening at Terra Sancta (Room 21) in Jerusalem. The public is invited.

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Dr. A. Krochmal, of the Cultural and Industrial Institute, Thessaloniki, will give a guest lecture (in English) under the auspices of the Hebrew University on "Some Practical Problems in Crop Production" at 8.30 this evening at the Botany Department, Talbieh, Jerusalem (former military court building). The public is invited.

BIRTH

To Devorah (nee Eisler) wife of Yitzhak Shargil, at the Kfar Saba Maternity Hospital on Saturday — a son.

Bedrich Hrozny, 73, Dead in Prague

The death of Professor Bedrich Hrozny, the distinguished Czechoslovak orientalist who deciphered the Hittite system of cuneiform writing, has been announced by Prague radio, the "Manchester Guardian Weekly" reports. He was Professor of Assyriology, Hittitology, and History of the Ancient Orient at the Charles University, Prague. He was 73.

Hrozny was brought from Vienna to Prague after the First World War by the distinguished orientalist Rudolf Dvorak. Under President T.G. Masaryk, the Czech Government created an Oriental Institute in Prague, of which Hrozny later became president. Its journal, "Archiv Orientalni," has, since 1929, under Hrozny's direction, become indispensable reading for students everywhere, and it is to-day a credit to both Government and university.

It is not the least part of Hrozny's great legacy. But perhaps his best memorial is the work of the Institute of Cuneiform Research with its staff of distinguished scholars, many of whom were pupils of Hrozny.

Heirless Jewish-Greek Property Placed in Special Commission

ATHENS, Monday (WJA). — Agreement has been reached, as a result of the mediation of the World Jewish Congress, to overcome the difficulties which have troubled the Greek Jewish Communities for the last two years regarding the ultimate distribution of heirless Greek Jewish property.

The Conference of the Greek Jewish Communities, which has just been concluded, unanimously ratified the proposal for settling this problem, made last September by Mr. A. L. Easterman and Dr. M. L. Perlzweig, Political Directors of the World Jewish Congress, during their visit to Athens at the invitation of the Central Board of Greek Jewish Communities to mediate in the dispute.

This proposal provided for the setting up of a special international Jewish commission with authority to distribute the heirless Jewish assets when the necessary legal measures are secured to enable them to be realized. The commission is to be composed of representatives of the Greek Jewish Communities, the Jewish Agency, the World Jewish Congress and the Joint Distribution Committee.

In adopting this proposal, the Conference of Jewish Communities passed a unanimous resolution "expressing great appreciation and thanks to the World Jewish Congress, and particularly to Mr. Easterman and Dr. Perlzweig for their contribution to the solution of this Greek Jewish problem."

The decision to place the ultimate distribution of heirless Jewish assets in the hands of the special international commission is the result of extensive consultations conducted by the World Jewish Congress representatives with the Central Board of Greek Jewish Communities and the representatives of the Government of Israel. The agreement now reached between the various parties clears the way for negotiations with the Greek Government to enact the necessary law to enable the heirless Jewish property now administered by a special Jewish organization to be realized. When this is achieved, considerable financial benefits will accrue to the Greek Jewish Community and the State of Israel, where more than 5,000 Greek Jews have immigrated since the end of the war.

Former Nazi Prisoners In Israel Union

HAIFA, Monday. — The Organization of Former Nazi Prisoners is now actively canvassing all former concentration camps inmates in an effort to increase its membership. The Organization intends to obtain full particulars of survivors now in Israel, as well as extend them assistance, spokesmen of the organization told the press here.

In the Haifa area some 1,500 have already registered. National membership now totals over 5,000, but the committee hopes to organise many more of the 60,000 camp survivors believed to be in the country.

Working on a voluntary basis, the committee intends to help former Nazi prisoners receive personal compensation for their suffering and losses under the Nazi regime in ghettoes and camps. Through Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Dr. Nehemia Robinson, legal adviser to Israel's U.N. delegation, they have succeeded in having the West German compensation law modified to include all former camp inmates, the spokesmen said.

Originally, the law included only those still resident in Germany on January 1, 1947. Persons imprisoned in camps outside Germany will also be eligible for compensation now.

The Organization intends to foster mutual assistance schemes for former camp inmates — as most of those now in Israel are middle-aged and unfit for hard manual work. The Organization's offices in Haifa are at 85 Rehov Nordau.

Compensation Case Judgment Reserved

The Jerusalem District Court heard an appeal recently on the interpretation of the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance. The Court reserved judgment.

The widow of Y. Mizrahi, killed by a car while working in Kiryat Moshe for Mr. J. Malkov, a contractor, had been awarded IL.1,500 damages by a Magistrate's Court. The sum of IL.1,008 was also awarded Mizrahi's grandchildren, partial dependents of the deceased. The Magistrate ruled that the damages were to be paid in the first instance by the contractor, but that Mr. H. Davido, driver of the car, was to reimburse him.

It was argued in the District Court that the IL.1,008 had been erroneously awarded to the grandchildren, as the Ordinance speaks only of "compensation to children."

Mizrahi's relatives pleaded that the law did apply to grandchildren and that they should in fact be awarded IL.2,016, since a recent Knesset law doubles the amounts to be paid under the Ordinance. This provision also applies to all sums that have not been "finally determined" according to the old rate. It was contended that since the driver and contractor have appealed the Magistrate's decision, the sum has not been "finally determined."

Mr. Malkov and Mr. Davido denied this on the grounds that the issue under appeal was not the amount to be paid but whether damages were to be paid at all.

The Court was composed of Judges Witkon, Sheresheysky and Caulan. Mrs. Mizrahi was represented by Mr. J. Bessik, Mr. Davido by Mr. A. Levitsky, and Mr. Malkov by Mr. A. Levy.

AT THE CINEMA

"THE Winslow Boy" (Armon David, Tel Aviv) is a typical example of English film-making in its charming and amusing pathos, policy and domestic comedy. Terence Rattigan's play of the father who sacrifices all his fortune to show that the Admiralty committed a miscarriage of justice by condemning his boy as a thief, and that the English dictum "Let right be done" has lost its meaning, has been well adapted to the screen. The dialogue is full of point and witticism, and the acting achievements of Sir Cedric Hardwick as the father and Robert Donat as the famous lawyer offer a revelation in their thoroughly dignified performances. Anthony Asquith is the director.

"GRAND Concert" (Migdal-Or), a Russian film offers excerpts from Borodin's "Prince Igor" (bad from the colour point of view and even musically not very inspiring); some rural music and dances (quite charming); and half an hour of ballet (unforgettable in technical perfection and beauty).

"STARLIFT" (Or-Gil, J'lem) is an average musical about G.I.'s going off to the front and bringing back the wounded, and the movie stars entertaining them through "Operation Starlift." There is a teen-age romance between a starlet and a G.I. from her home-town. Starring Doris Day, Gordon MacRae, Virginia Mayo, Gene Nelson, Ruth Roman, the picture has a glittering galaxy of ten more Warner guest stars. FRANGO

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Le Comte de Monte Cristo.
EDEN: Lone Star.
EDISON: My Forbidden Past.
ORGIL: Starlift.
ORION: 5 Fingers.
STUDIO: [illegible]
ZION: Red Mountain.

Haifa Cinemas

AZMON: (Tel. 3061): Flying Leathernecks.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 209 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.0, 13.1 & 427 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7, 7.30 a.m., 12.30, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 5 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Piano Recital. 11.30 Wind Instruments. 11.45 Music (R).

4.00 p.m. Variety. 4.45 Music (R). 5.20 Agricultural Corner. 5.30 Language Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.07 Programme Announcements. 7.10 "Voice, Instrument and Orchestra." (R). 7.35 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.26 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra. Conductor Karel Salmon. Soloist Rosa Viester-Kraus. Symphony No. 48 (Mozart); "Le Roi David" (Honegger); Piano Concerto No. 2 (Brahms).

SECOND PROGRAMME
448, 225, 214 & 43.9 M.

English News 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French 2.00 p.m.

4.00 Chamber Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Science Studio. 6.00 The Working Woman. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (33.3, 43.9 & 468 M.): French 6.30 p.m.; Ladino 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.15 Newsreel. 11.30 The Man in the Street. 11.45 Singers in Israel.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.6, 216, 225 & 2398 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Gadna Programme. 7.00 Musical Dictionary. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Melodies. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 News. 8.45 Military Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 8-8.30 p.m. (13, 16, 19 & 25 M.): Life in These United States.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92 & 30.65 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News. Jewish Affairs. Visitors' Corner.

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REVIEW OF YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Foreign Minister's Statement On Western Arms For Arabs

Most morning newspapers commented editorially on the warning voiced by the Foreign Minister against the supply of arms to the Arab States by the West.

"Davar" (Histadrut) asks whether the supply of arms is the reply of the Western statesmen to the ever recurring threats made by the Arab leaders that they are preparing an attack against Israel. There is no reason to believe that these arms will be used for "regional defence," and it is very difficult therefore to understand what are the motives for such arms transports.

"Haboker" (Gen. Zion.) declares that the Arab leaders attack Israel not only in their speeches but all their activities are conditioned by the "state of war" which they say exists between their countries and Israel. The paper believes that the supply of arms to the Arab states is a result of the "sitting on the fence" policy by these governments. Israel's foreign policy must reveal a maximum of political activity and enlist all forces which might help in the present uneasy situation, after the rejection of the U.N. proposal to initiate direct negotiations and in view of the mounting virulence of anti-Israel propaganda.

"Omer" (Histadrut) says that the warning voiced by the Foreign Minister was destined not only for foreign consumption: it has a direct meaning for us, because it stresses the necessity to improve even more our security in relation to the Arab countries and to strengthen our army.

"Hatzofe" (Hapoel Hamizrahi) stresses the fact that the supply of arms by the Western powers is in violation of the three-power declaration of 1950 and nobody can seriously assume that it will contribute towards the stabilization of the situation in the area.

Warning Will Be Unheeded

"Hamodia" (Aguda) says that the Western world apparently believes that it must not fall behind the Soviets who have now come out after the Prague trial with a clearly anti-Jewish and pro-Arab policy, and it is therefore not very likely that the Foreign Minister's warning (which in one form or another has already been made several times) will greatly affect the situation: what we can achieve at most is that the facilities given to the Arab countries will be granted to us too. The paper stresses that though Aguda is in opposition now its duty towards the defence of the State will not thereby be affected, as defence is not a government monopoly.

The only paper which revealed an hostile attitude towards Mr. Sharett's protest against Western arms supply for the Arab countries was "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) which said that this was further evidence that Israel was offering its services to the U.S. as a "sword for hire" within the framework of the anti-Soviet warmongers' bloc.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) printed the declaration without comment but published a "think piece" by one of its correspondents quoting a well-informed but anonymous Jerusalem diplomat who said that the Western powers had decided to establish a defence bloc by means of the Arab states as they had no hope for an Israel-Arab agreement. The Jerusalem diplomat whose name cannot be revealed notwithstanding the fact that he is an extremely active man (says "Al Hamishmar's" correspondent) also told him that the Egyptians had rejected an American proposal for an Israel-Egyptian-Turkish (peace) conference.

Another Israel Defeat

"Herut" sees in the Foreign Minister's declaration the last in a long series of Israel defeats caused by the ruling circles in this country who have not taken the one and only possible course: to appear as the paramount political and military force in this part of the world and to establish Israel hegemony. The Foreign Ministry has not used the many internal crises in the Arab countries and it now implores the U.N. for peace instead of taking a strong line.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) dealt with the agreement reached between the Government and the heads of the Independence Loan Drive. The paper believes that there is reason to suspect that the Government has promised Mr. Montor that it will not interfere in the relations between the Independence Loan and the U.J.A., a policy which appears to "Ha'aretz" of even more doubtful wisdom than the previous one.

Bond Drive Exposition Opens in Miami

More than 3,000 persons attended outdoor ceremonies inaugurating the Israel Exposition at Miami Beach, Florida, yesterday afternoon and the beginning of the Exposition Tour throughout the nation. By order of Mayor D. Lee Powell, yesterday was observed as Israel Exposition Day throughout the city and both Governor Fuller Warren and Governor-elect McCarty of Florida sent messages stressing the important role of Israel in industrial and democratic development in the Middle East.

A special platform was erected and a complete block in the center of Miami Beach was closed to traffic by order of the Mayor to permit outdoor ceremonies addressed by Vice-Mayor Burnett Roth and Mr. Abraham Dor, an Israel government engineer. The Exposition, sponsored by the Greater Miami Committee for Israel Bonds, was officially opened with the cutting of a blue and white ribbon by Mrs. Joseph Cherner, wife of the Chairman of the Israel Exposition Committee.

(Communicated)

British Worker Has Changed His Outlook

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The British worker has changed his outlook since 1947, according to Mr. Akiva Govrin, Chairman of the Knesset Labour Committee, who reported to the Histadrut Executive yesterday on his recent four weeks' visit to Britain.

While five years ago an average member of a trade union was proud his organisation was "above politics," he now seldom failed to point out that all members of his union were affiliated with the Labour Party. Labour leaders, Mr. Govrin said, expressed their regret at the "misunderstandings of the past". Many labour leaders were truly conversant with the Palestine problem, while the mass of British workers were more or less ignorant of the facts. Many British Jews would come to Israel if only the housing problem could be solved.

Four officials of the Histadrut had been invited by the British Government on that trip. Mrs. May Merom, one of the group, told the Histadrut Executive that she had been impressed by the good relations she had observed between employees and managers in Great Britain, which she attributed to the fact that directors came mainly from the working class. Other members of the group were Mr. Z. Barash and Mr. H. Baily.

Britain Agrees To Export Books Here

LONDON, December 19 (By Mail). Export of books to Israel to be paid for in Israel currency has been agreed to in principle by the British Government. This was indicated in a reply to a question put in Parliament by Mr. Maurice Edelman (Labour).

In his answer the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R.A. Butler, said, "I am prepared exceptionally to consider proposals which would allow a limited part of the payment for certain books to be made in Israeli currency."

522,736 Cases Of Citrus Exported

A total of 522,736 cases of citrus fruit have been sent abroad this season up to December 28, of which England took 215,818 cases of Shamuti oranges and 51,377 cases of grapefruit, it was announced yesterday.

Exports to other countries were as follows: Norway: 49,000 cases of oranges, 13,000, of grapefruit; USSR: 46,884, oranges; Finland: 30,000, oranges, 10,000, grapefruit; Sweden: 30,774, oranges, 4,663, grapefruit; Poland: 22,254 oranges, 1,000, grapefruit; Yugoslavia: 9,997, oranges, 3,780, lemons; Switzerland: 10,498, grapefruit; Austria: 10,050, oranges; Belgium: 7,862, grapefruit; Denmark: 5,000, grapefruit.

Pictures of Historic Interest on View At Eliahu Attar's Olympic Show

By AKIVA KALMAN

Eliahu Attar, Israel's professional sports photographer, was one of the five officially invited to the Olympic Games by the Finnish Olympic Committee at Helsinki this year. In his Games Photographs Exhibition, which closed last week after a month in Tel Aviv, he showed why he is held in such esteem overseas in his sphere. In these 300 odd shots of the Games, Attar gives a non-attender a comprehensive picture of the general excitement and of world stars in action, and, in addition, sets out a special place for the Israel entrants in their first essay in the top amateur world sports meeting.

In these records of the famous "America vs. Russia" Games, he catches the world stars in the process of their record-creating performances so vividly that the athletes seem to be leaping on or at you. He captures in black and white the thrills and spirit of the Games.

It is impossible in this review to set out details of all the photographs, but the jump of "Bob" Richards, pole-vault record breaker, the efforts of American stars, Fuchs and O'Brien, high-jump U.S. medal winner Davis "floating" through the air, the close finish in the 100 metres final, Luxembourg's surprise 1500 metres winner, Barthel, covering his face on the victors stand to hide his tears of joy, Zatopek (wonder runner of the Games) during the races he won and at the finishes, Marjorie Jackson, Australia's star and outstanding women performer, give some indication of the extensiveness of Attar's work.

Historic Interest

In those shots dealing specifically with Israel, to this reviewer there were two of historic interest. Firstly that of the Israel flag flying in company with the 50 odd flags of the other nations around the huge Helsinki Stadium for the first time in Jewish history, and then the shot of the huge results board in the stadium reading "100 m. Preliminaries: 1. Tabak, Isr. 10.9 secs," taken on the very first day of the XVth. Olympic Games, when the Israel sprinter won his heat in the 100 metres preliminaries. Attar took shots of every aspect of the Israel party's activities, on and off the sports field, during their journey to and at Helsinki, the basketball team in action, Ra'anan during his dives, Tamar Matel, Lea Ravid, Olga Wittenberg and all the rest.

During the month the exhibition was open in Tel Aviv an estimated 7,000 people visited the show, including the British Ambassador, Sir Francis Evans, and other members of the Diplomatic Corps, including the British, American, Turkish; Dr. M. Simon, Chief of Protocol, a veteran sportsman himself, Dr. E. Simon, head of the Government's Physical Training Department, and other local sports and public personalities. All have signed the Visitors' Book. One which Attar especially cherishes is the "thanks" of the sports team of the Deaf and Dumb Association of Israel.

The Exhibition is also shortly to be held for approximately 14 days at the Maccabi Hall in Haifa. To date it does not seem that facilities for its showing will be available in Jerusalem, but it is to be hoped that some suggestion will be forthcoming, to enable Jerusalem's sports fans also to see this fine collection of sports shots of the last Games.

Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

9-4: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo Romema, Bus 1½. Feeding time 3-5 p.m.
8.30-12.30; 2-6: American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Road Entrance Free.
9-1; 3-5: Exhibition Modern French Works of Art, donated by artists and art-lovers of France. Victor Hugo, Designer on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of his birth (last week); Leonardo da Vinci, A travelling exhibition for schools and Educational Institutions, arranged on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of his birth; Hanukka Lamps: recent acquisitions of the Museum. Exhibit of the Month: Laboratory of an Alchemist, oil painting 1650, by David Ryckaert (1612-1661). New acquisition of the Bezalel Museum.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition — Recent acquisitions 29 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30 Film Show at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

★ TEL AVIV ★

9 p.m.: "Saint Joan," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.

★ HAIFA ★

4-7 p.m.: Exhibition of Paintings by Cohn-Bialla, Artists' House, 32 Rehov UNO (opp. Carmelia Court).

★ RAMAT GAN ★

8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo, Wonderful Revue, "It Will be Good." Rena Hall.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Bradstein, near Zion Cinema, 3174. Zichron Moshe, near Edison cinema, 4891.

TEL AVIV: Brieman, 56 Allenby, 62282. Shulman, 57 Ahad Ha'am, 4091. Hagalil, 60 Ben Yehuda, 3059. Kristin, 10 Herzl, 5321. Ziva, Hatikva Q., 67401. Yafo (Jaffa) 10 Rehov 1, 26790. RAMAT GAN, Ramat Gan, 31 Bialik. GIVATAYIM: Nogo, opp. Fire Brigade.

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Mt. Canaan	53	5	13	15
Haifa	73	10	19	21
Tiberias	61	10	21	22
Nathanya	51	8	21	22
Hakirya	64	7	21	22
Lydda	65	5	20	23
Jerusalem	55	7	14	16
Beersheba	48	—	20	23
Elath	30	10	23	24

Forecast: Warm and dry.

*A) Humidity at 1 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxm. yesterday. D) Maxm. temp. expected today.

A TOTAL OF 261 days imprisonment was imposed by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday on David Ellinger, 23, of Jaffa who was charged with obtaining money under false pretences from 25 people, on promise of supplying them with various goods. He was found guilty on 21 counts.

A CYCLIST, Yitzhak Segal, 25, of Talmei Yehiel settlement, was knocked down by a tender on Sunday while trying to cross the road near Julis. He was taken to Sarafand Hospital in a serious condition. The driver, Aharon Yam, 42, of Havatselet, was released in bond.

A MULE which had been stolen by marauders recently from a settlement in the coastal plain, was returned to the Israel Police by the Arab Legion at a meeting in no-man's-land near Kfar Budrus yesterday.

THE ANNUAL bazaar of the Anti-Tuberculosis League is to be held in the Ben Yehuda cafe in Jerusalem on January 6, 7.

State Crimes Bill To Be Reconsidered

The draft law of Crimes Against the State, which was tabled in the Knesset last week, will be reconsidered by the Government before coming up for debate, *The POST* learns.

The law, which had been in preparation for some time, was finally approved by the former Government last month, and was issued as a draft bill when the Knesset reassembled after the Hanukka recess. In the meantime, however, the Government had resigned and it is understood that the new Cabinet will have to consider it afresh.

POWER TO REQUISITION ROOMS EXTENDED

The authority of the Minister of Interior to requisition hotel rooms for tourists was extended for six months by the Knesset yesterday. It would have expired on December 31.

Shimshon, Solel Boneh Agree on Debt

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Agreement was reached on Sunday between the Shimshon Cement Plant at Hartuv in the Corridor, and its contractors, Solel Boneh, on the payment of a IL.1.5m. debt owing to Solel Boneh since last July, a Company spokesman told *The Post* yesterday. It is understood that the debt will be covered by the Company's British resources. The terms of the agreement were submitted to the Ministry of Finance for final approval.

Solel Boneh withdrew its 350 workers from the plant last July, because wages had not been paid for a considerable time, and since then all construction has been at a standstill.

HARSON APPEAL

The Court of Appeals convened yesterday to hear the appeal of Robert Harson, 40, who was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment for manslaughter by the Tel Aviv District Court in August. He had been convicted of killing Magi Laseri, the 16-year-old mother of his child, in Elath.

RATION NEWS

TEL AVIV DISTRICT: Bananas 250 grams. Hah 25, temporary, 36, zone 1, 2. [illegible] 400 grams a kilogram.
SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Poultry for pregnant women in Kfar Saba, Migdal Ashkelon, Magdiel, Ramatayim, Ness Ziona, Nathanya, Rishon le-Zion, Rehovot, Benei Brak, 750 grams. 12, live Carp 250 grams. Petah Tikva and district, and Rehovot, Meat 9, temporary, 41. Tomatoes 250 grams, 15 and 16, temporary, 37. Bananas Nathanya: 250 grams. Hah 25, temporary, 47. Rehovot: Aleph 500 grams. Kaf 46, Bet Tzadi 25, temporary, 44. Local butter for the aged 100 grams. Bonah 2.

Haifa Port Working In High Gear

Jerusalem POST Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Haifa Port was working full speed again today, for the first time in many months. There were 22 ships, including two awaiting to discharge. There were also three ships waiting in the Bay.

Cargoes included 10,000 tons of wheat, 400 tons of copra which arrived from the Philippines through the Suez Canal in the s.s. Panama and 125 tons of coffee. Two ships were loading citrus while others were waiting to take fruit.

All the permanent Port workers were busy and another 400 workers were sent from the Labour Exchange. Altogether nearly 2,000 workers in over 80 gangs were employed in two ships.

The Port was taken by surprise by the sudden arrival of the ships three of which were diverted here from Tel Aviv because of bad weather there.

Port officials believe that the present high employment will last only a fortnight.

Plans Shelved to Build Temporary Silo

Jerusalem POST Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Plans to build, locally, temporary bulk grain unloading equipment for the Port were shelved last September when the Commerce Ministry announced that it had ordered all the necessary equipment abroad, *The Post* learned here today.

When Prime Minister Ben Gurion visited the Port last September and saw workers unloading bulk grain, he urged that temporary equipment be installed to ease their task. This equipment was to serve until the Dagon Company's machinery began operating.

The Port Engineer, a representative of the contracting company, and Dr. Stern worked out a scheme to build a temporary wooden "silo" into which loose grain could be poured from the ship by a grab, and could then be filled into sacks on the quay from faucets built into the "silo."

The structure was to be mobile and was to cost IL.10,000. This "silo" would have reduced working time considerably, and could have been ready by December.

However, at the end of September the Commerce Ministry informed the Port Authority that it had already ordered equipment in Switzerland which would be ready by January 1, and stated that the building of the proposed structure was a waste of money. Construction was therefore halted and no temporary equipment will now be available.

The Dagon Company had agreed to permit the temporary equipment to be used although it held the concession.

Interim Lodgings Found For 80 Students

The inter-department committee dealing with housing for Jerusalem's students, which was formed by the Minister of Education last month, has found temporary lodging for 80 students, Mr. Uzi Bloch, Chairman of the Students' Association, told *The POST* last night.

The lodging, which is in the Hayozem buildings in the Talpiot quarter, is available for three months only. It is not at all clear what will happen when the time limit expires, as the students cannot afford the high rents demanded by Jerusalem citizens, Mr. Bloch said.

Work on more permanent quarters has not yet started. According to Mr. I. Hoffman, the Hebrew University representative on the housing committee, funds have already been mobilised from the Government and the University for the building of permanent quarters, which it is hoped, will be ready by next summer.

A special concert of the Jubilee Singers will be given at 9 p.m. tomorrow at the Edison Hall in Jerusalem under the auspices of the Students' Association of the Hebrew University and in aid of the Needy Students' Fund.

JAFFA SAILORS EXCEL IN RESCUE WORK

Veteran sailors from Jaffa were among those who distinguished themselves in the rescue work of the Champollion, "A-Diffa," the Old City Daily, reports from Beirut.

Foreman, Contractor Jailed For Defrauding J'lem Municipality

POST Legal Correspondent

The Jerusalem District Court yesterday sentenced Z. Neuman, former head of the Jerusalem Municipality's drainage department, to four months' imprisonment. Sentenced with him were M. Crystal, a municipal works foreman, and S. Kahane, a private contractor, to six months' imprisonment each. Leave to appeal was granted and the defendants were released on bail.

Neuman was found guilty on five charges of having defrauded the Municipality in 1950 by making municipal labour available to Kahane. Kahane had been employed by the Municipality on the drainage project at Bet Mazmiel and was supposed to supply his own workers. Crystal was convicted of having conspired to defraud the Municipality by supplying the contractor with municipal labour, and of having committed a public mischief by using sub-standard concrete in the project. Kahane was found guilty on the charges of conspiracy and public mischief.

The Court rejected the defendants' plea that inasmuch as Bet Mazmiel is not within the Jerusalem area, the charges should be dismissed. The Judge declared that this fact did not render the drainage project illegal, and that therefore the accused could not seek shelter behind the Municipality's error.

No Financial Benefit

The Court pointed out that Neuman had not benefitted financially from the contractor's unlawful use of Municipal labour; he had acquiesced to the practice so that the work might be accelerated. When the verdict had been given, Mr. A. Levitzky, his counsel, pleaded this point in mitigation, saying that "no moral turpitude attaches to the accused" and that "the conviction is merely technical."

Asked what he had to say on his own behalf, Neuman told the Court that Mr. S.Z. Shragai, former Mayor of Jerusalem, had initiated the proceedings to enhance his own political stature.

Mr. A. Meridor, representing Crystal, sharply attacked the Municipality for working outside the area of its jurisdiction, and for negotiating the contract on the basis of vague quotations. He declared that the confusion had resulted in his client being victimised. Before imposing sentence, the Court declared that the quotations had been badly worded, and that this had made for irregularities.

Judge Tousia-Cohen delivered judgment. Messrs. S. Kwart and A. Kammar prosecuted. Neuman was represented by Messrs. A. Levitzky and H. Krongold, Crystal by Messrs. A. Meridor and A. Simha, and Kahane by Mr. I. Tunik.

HISTADRUT SETS UP JOBLESS COMMITTEE

TEL AVIV, Monday. — An emergency unemployment committee was established by the Histadrut Executive today. Mr. Y. Bashin, the Histadrut Treasurer, and Mr. [illegible] were asked to draw up a plan, in cooperation with the General Labour Exchange and the "Mishan" unemployment fund, to fight unemployment.

Police Round-Up Military Shirkers

Scores of suspected shirkers were rounded up in Jerusalem yesterday by military police of the three branches of the armed forces.

The round-up in the main streets of the city, was described as one of the biggest ever undertaken. Many of the military police were in full battle-dress. Civilian police also participated.

Commerce Ministry On Haifa Silo

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The purchase of temporary equipment for the handling of grain at Haifa Port involves no duplication of plans, representatives of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and of the Haifa Port management asserted yesterday in Jerusalem.

They denied reports of unnecessary expenditure and expressed their regret at the "unusual expressions" Dr. Boris Stern had thought fit to use.

According to the officials, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry had decided that it was worthwhile ordering temporary grain unloading equipment to serve until the Dagon Silo Company's permanent equipment was installed, in view of the fact that the temporary equipment could be later transferred elsewhere, possibly to another port.

The temporary equipment was ordered from a Swiss company last summer at a cost of 290,000 Swiss francs (about $70,000).

Equipment for Company

The Dagon Company, which has the concession for use of such equipment, was told by the Ministry that the temporary equipment could be handed over to the Company.

A three-man committee representing the Ministry, the Port management and the Company, went to Switzerland, visited foreign ports where similar equipment was operating, and then unanimously recommended purchase of the Swiss equipment, with minor alterations. Far from the price being increased to 650,000 francs, as was reported it was cut down to 289,829.

It was also stated that the temporary equipment would be in operation in April, 1953, and that though there was no reason to doubt Dagon's claim that their permanent equipment would arrive in May, 1953, there was some doubt as to the suitability of their machinery. It was estimated that the Dagon silo would take a year and a half to complete.

The officials confirmed, however, that the Government's decision to change the site allocated for the silo had caused a delay of a year and a half in the erection of the permanent equipment.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry representatives claimed that the temporary equipment would earn enough to cover its costs in a few months. The amortisation costs of bags amounts to £1 per ton of grain — or about $10,000 per ship. There are two to three grain ships in Haifa each month.

Patra Manager Remanded On Charges of Forgery

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — The local manager of the Patra Travel Agency here, Yosef Greiver, was remanded in custody for seven days by the Tel Aviv Magistrate today, on charges of forging "Nun 2" forms (application for permission to buy tickets in local currency).

The Police case is that he sent one of his staff to the Ottoman Bank last November, to deliver a "Nun 2" form when it was discovered that the signature of the Finance Ministry official on the form was forged.

A further 20 "Nun 2" forms issued by Patra have since been found in various travel agencies and banks. Greiver was refused bail on the suspicion that he is at the head of a group of persons working this fraud and who are now under investigation.

FOR PACKING red and black pepper and cinnamon in 5.8 gram packets instead of the 10-gram size, Michel Natan, 34, a Jaffa merchant, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by the Tel Aviv anti-profiteering court yesterday.

Air Companies Protest Tax on Tickets

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The "panel of air representatives" in Israel held an extraordinary meeting here yesterday to protest against the recent increase in the ticket tax from 30 to 50 per cent.

'Black Market Meat King' Arrested, Police Find Tubercular Beef In T.A.

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — Known to the food control authorities as the "black market meat king," Avraham Kewe, of Rehov Hashomer here, was arrested early yesterday mornings and freshly-slaughtered meat from a tubercular cow was impounded while on its way to black market sale in Tel Aviv. Acting on information, food control inspectors set up roadblocks all round Petah Tikva on Saturday night, on the watch for meat which they had been informed was to be slaughtered in the town and sent to Tel Aviv. Patrols were organized in the town, and radio communications set up with the roadblocks.

At six o'clock in the evening, a tender approached one of the roadblocks, but seeing it manned turned round and sped back into the town, trying to find another unguarded exit. When the driver realised that all the roads were blocked, he turned off into an orange grove in the Matalon quarter, with the inspectors in pursuit.

A man was seen shortly before the vehicle was caught up with, in which only the driver, Yosef Rabinovitz, was allegedly found together with six packets of still warm meat.

Knowing that the man who escaped was Kewe, the inspectors laid an ambush around his house, into which he walked at five o'clock in the morning. Kewe and the driver were today remanded in custody for 14 days by Magistrate Y. Treivish.

The meat was ordered to be burnt when found to be tubercular, as the veterinary authorities did not wish to endanger the lives of animals in the Zoo, which usually receive meat found under such circumstances.

Phone Rates Higher

Telephone rates will be higher as from Thursday, it was officially announced yesterday.

A local call will cost 40 pruta; a local call from a public call box—60 pruta; installation of a main telephone line—IL.200; installation of an external extension—IL.200; yearly rental of a main telephone line—IL.72; yearly rental of an external extension—IL.60.

Inter-urban rates will also go up, it was said.

May, U.K. Atom Spy, Pardoned

WAKEFIELD, England, Monday (Reuter). — Dr. Alan Nunn May, convicted as an atom spy, was freed from prison during the night after serving six years and eight months of a 10-year sentence.

Dr. Nunn May, a lecturer in Physics at Kings College, London University, was sent to prison in 1946 after being found guilty of communicating information contrary to the Official Secrets Act. He confessed to having given information on atomic research to a Russian agent in Canada.

He had been sent to Canada in 1942 as a senior member of the British atomic team.

Ask Protection For Hebrew Books

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Local publishers, writers and printers have asked the Government to protect Hebrew books from the unrestrained competition of low-priced foreign language books, especially Russian and American, representatives of a "Council for the Defence of the Hebrew Book," told the press here today.

The book trade has asked the Government to abolish all taxes and customs on paper, binding cloth and other accessories to book production to give the trade a fair chance to stand the competition. They also asked that children's books and low-priced "pocket" edition books, especially those with no scientific or literary value should not be imported. The import of expensive priced art books was draining the booklover's resources and made the bid for Hebrew books smaller, spokesmen said.

Snow, Heavy Rain In Italy Form Threat

ROME, Monday (Reuter). — Snow has carpeted large areas of northern Italy and heavy rain throughout the rest of the country filled streams and rivers to the danger point at many places.

At Castello di Fanano, near Modena in northern Italy, the rain gave further impetus to a 350-metre wide landslide which threatened to carry away some 20 cottages within the next day or two.

Russia Outstrips America In Plane Output, Says U.S. Air Chief

WASHINGTON, Monday (Reuter). — Russia has produced five times as many military aircraft as the United States since 1947, General Hoyt Vandenberg, U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff, declared today.

In an article in "Planes," a publication of the American Aircraft Industry Association, he said that in 1949 alone Russia had built 12 military planes for each plane produced in America and "even today, the Russians are equalling our output, or perhaps bettering it," he added.

He disclosed that in little more than 29 months since the beginning of the present air power build-up, America was only half way through its programme for creating a 143-wing Air Force. More than half the aircraft in use by the American Air Force today was obsolescent.

But General Vandenberg described as a "commendable record" the fact that since the outbreak of the Korean War the aircraft industry had delivered about 15,000 military aircraft of all types to the armed services.

Russian numerical superiority in plane production stemmed directly from the post-war period when U.S. airpower declined "while the nation depended for security upon its short lived atomic monopoly."

While the Russians raced forward in developing advanced jet types of military planes and expanding their aircraft production facilities, the U.S. had reduced the rate of its defence expenditure to 15 per cent of what it had been in the war.

The General added: "We continued to maintain an insufficient force at a cut-rate price. Equally dangerous, we were unable to press forward at a rapid enough pace with research and development on new projects."

Pritt Answers Charge Of Contempt of Court

NAIROBI, Monday (Reuter). — The British Defence Attorney in the Kenyatta trial, Mr. D. N. Pritt, answering to an accusation of contempt of court, told the Supreme Court here today that if he were guilty every newspaper editor who had repeated the alleged contempt was also guilty.

He was preparing to show cause why he should not be jailed for contempt of court allegedly shown in a cable sent to four M.P.s listing complaints of inconveniences in the Kenyatta case. Mr. Pritt's cable used the words: "...it amounts in all to a denial of justice". Attorney General Whyatt declared this to be a "devastating calumny".

The Kapenguria trial of Jomo Kenyatta and five other Africans on Mau Mau charges is due to resume tomorrow. The case was suspended when Magistrate Thacker took exception to Mr. Pritt's cable.

More Current Coming To Jerusalem

The Palestine Electric Corporation will soon supply Jerusalem with 50 per cent more current than is at present being sent, it was learned from a PEC spokesman yesterday.

On Thursday, the transformer at Givat Shaul will be replaced by a more powerful one, capable of transmitting 2,800 kws., and after certain improvements to the switch-gear have been made—scheduled to take another fortnight — the current will be stepped up to 3,500 kws.

Temporary dislocation of electric current in the Jerusalem Corridor and Givat Shaul may be expected on Thursday, the spokesman said.

BARATZ FUNERAL

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM).— There were no eulogies at the funeral of Avraham Baratz, the Habimah actor, in deference to his known wishes. The veteran Habimah player, Yehoshua Bertonov, recited the Kaddish. Baratz leaves no children.

The bier was carried by colleagues to the Habimah Theatre, where it lay on a black-draped catafalque. After prayers, the cortege then moved on to the Nahlat Itzhak cemetery.

Wreaths from his widow, fellow-workers and many other friends were laid on the grave.

2 Demonstrators Killed By Police in Kashmir

NEW DELHI, Monday (Reuter). — Two people were killed and one seriously wounded when police opened fire on a crowd which tried to storm a government office near Jammu, in Kashmir State, a Government press statement issued here said today.

The incident occurred at Sunderbani during a demonstration by 2,000 Hindus armed with spears, axes and hatchets against the Kashmir State Government of Sheikh Abdullah, which is recognized by India.

Part of Kashmir is controlled by a Pakistan-recognized government. The demonstration was led by an extremist party which demands the absorption of Kashmir and Jammu into India.

Pissarev's Detention Extended in Hague

AMSTERDAM, Monday (AP). — The TASS correspondent, Lev Pissarev, arrested here last Wednesday on a charge of espionage, will be held until January 2 pending further investigation, it was disclosed here today. He was heard by the Hague District Attorney, Mr. J. Rutgers, in jail here for the first time last Saturday.

No decision was taken then on whether he will be brought before a court or simply expelled.

Meanwhile, police have disclosed that the documents handed to Pissarev at the time of his arrest were fake, given to the TASS correspondent by his Dutch contact man who had tipped off the police that Pissarev wanted to know too much.

ARAB PORT WORKERS GET EQUAL CONDITIONS

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The 67 Arab port workers in Jaffa will, under an agreement signed recently between the Israel Workers' League and the Ministry of Communications, enjoy the same conditions of work as others employed in the port. The Arab workers have had equal pay since May, 1951.

Cables in Brief

SUICIDE.—A wealthy young Texas rancher committed suicide on Sunday by deliberately crashing his plane into a hillside. His wife is expecting their second child in six weeks.

PAINTER. — Exhibition of Israel landscapes by Saul Raskin, the American Jewish painter, opened yesterday in New York under the sponsorship of National Committee for Labour Israel.

JAPANESE.—The Japanese delegation to the Vienna Peace Congress is now visiting Moscow.

HEBREW. — Courses in modern spoken Hebrew and Hebrew literature have been introduced in the University of Texas, with financial help of the World Zionist Organization and the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation. The lecturer is to be Rabbi Mordecai Chertoff, of Austin.

HOLLAND. — Holland has refused entry visas to a three-man delegation from the Central Council of Soviet Trades Unions which had been invited to attend the annual congress of the Dutch communist trade unions.

DESIGNATED. — Pope Pius yesterday designated the first Indian Cardinal of the Catholic Church, Monsignor Valeriano Gracias, 52-year-old Archbishop of Bombay. He and 23 other high prelates will be created Cardinals at a consistory in Rome on January 12.

FREED. — Twenty-seven Austrian prisoners of war arrived back in Vienna yesterday after being released by the Russians.

EVEN YEHUDA CAMP CLOSED

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The first step towards closing all ma'barot was taken by the Jewish Agency this week with the complete removal of the Even Yehuda ma'bara inhabitants.

The Rishon Le Zion, Nahlat Yehuda and Be'er Ya'acov ma'barot are to be shut shortly. In a letter of congratulations to the Local Council of Even Yehuda and the new immigrants there, Mr. David Tanne, Director of the Agency's Settlement Department, stated that it was now certain that the ma'barot had turned immigrants from an unproductive life to one of work and self-sufficiency.

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Candidates of 20 and upwards, who have a secondary school education and a knowledge of Hebrew and English, may submit applications to the Hadassah Office, Binyan David, Rehov Hamelech David, Jerusalem.

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SOUNDING THE ALARM

THE Press of Israel yesterday reacted swiftly and with understandable unanimity to the Foreign Minister's sombre statement on Sunday expressing the Government's and the nation's serious disquiet at the reports of continuous deliveries of arms by leading Western powers to Arab States. The public response assures the Government of the full backing of all sections of the population in any diplomatic steps it may contemplate in an attempt to redress the balance of armament between the Arab States and the State of Israel.

Mr. Sharett's "warning" was no domestic brief based on national considerations alone. He made it plain that, in the opinion of the Government, the threat to Israel was a threat to regional peace; and also that this view would be underlined in our future dealings with the Western Powers as it was unvaryingly pressed in the past. In this, Israel is but reinforcing the joint declaration of the American, British and French Governments, more than two years ago which, while deprecating an arms race between ourselves and our neighbours as harmful to the entire area "implied" (to quote from the statement) "a fair defence equilibrium between them."

The Arab States have still to be heard from on the subject in some detail. What they have so far managed to say is what was to be expected — that Israel was manoeuvring to obtain more arms for purposes of aggression. This hollow nonsense will delude nobody, and it comes with singularly infelicitous inappropriateness on a day that a U.N. observer has been treated to a species of Arab peace-loving at Tel [illegible]. The Arabs are required to answer a number of questions; whether they are at war with Israel — if not, what is the meaning of their boycott and blockade and economic warfare generally; whether they are willing to commit themselves in the defence of democracy — in their separate countries or in the Middle East as a whole; or whether they are resigned to being tarred as a menace to peace and therefore ineligible for arms, whether by purchase or gift.

But the statement of Israel's position was not in the first place addressed to the Arabs, who in the light of past experience will probably expect to be rewarded for their sabre-rattling and second-round threats, particularly after their latest exploit at the U.N. in sabotaging the Eight-Power resolution urging direct Israel-Arab talks. The call was addressed to the Western Powers, of whom some have left unanswered Israel's application for free arms, and some have offered to supply against payment only some of the arms long available to some of Israel's hostile neighbours. It was meant for these Powers who seem unmindful of the injury to this part of the world in the paternalistic steps that tend to enhance the prestige of dictators and cause authoritarianism to flourish. The purpose of the statement, in fact, is to call attention to an imbalance in armament that stimulates aggression on the part of the Arabs, sows disquiet in Israel and throughout the Jewish world; and which, by placing dangerous toys in the hands of the manipulators of shaky regimes, and increasing their arms and supremacy, under the guidance of German experts, whets their appetites and prolongs their power over their hapless peoples.

The Western Powers must by now have become persuaded that the "pistol is the sceptre of the bully," and that with dictatorships, as with cartwheels, it is "the worst that creaks the loudest." From possessing arms the Arabs might well become possessed by them. Rather than impel Israel — as under present conditions it inevitably must be impelled — to join in the race for armaments at fantastic costs, and at the expense of more fruitful and beneficial enterprises, the West might use its influence to cause the Arabs to face the fact of Israel's existence and purpose, and discourage them from using Israel as a lighting conductor for their domestic unrest and unhappiness. As "Ma'ariv" yesterday said, this call of Israel's should be seen fundamentally as "one of the many alarms at the almost pathological tendency of the great Powers, always to placate enemies of democracy and always to alienate its friends."

Israel's call nevertheless is no counsel of despair or evidence of resignation. It betrays, to be sure, a measure of sorrow and impatience. It rings the alarm bell, and it is to be hoped that it has been heard in Washington, London and Paris.

CONFLICT OVER [illegible] OF 'PRIESTS' ASSOCIATIONS'

TITO AND THE VATICAN

By RICHARD LOWENTHAL

BONN. — YUGOSLAVIA's decision to sever diplomatic relations with the Vatican and to ask for the withdrawal of the acting Apostolic Nuncio, Mgr. Oddi, has been widely interpreted abroad as proof that Marshal Tito's attitude to the Catholic Church does not differ from that taken by the Soviet Union and her satellite States. Yugoslavia's foreign policy, it is said, has broken away from the Stalinist fold; her internal regime and philosophy are still those of the Communist one-Party State, which makes a life and death struggle with the Church inevitable.

There is less truth in this view than one might think at first sight. In the course of the past few years, some of the conflicts between the Yugoslav Government and the Catholic hierarchy have certainly been caused by the inevitable clash between Catholic religion and Communist philosophy — particularly by their rivalry where the education of the young is concerned. But other and even more acute conflicts have been and are caused not by the similarities between Titoist and Stalinist Communism, but by the differences in the Vatican's tactics towards both: the Vatican has persistently refused concessions to Tito which it has long granted to some of the satellite regimes, although Tito's demands have in fact been more moderate.

Pope's Move

The Pope's decision to confer the dignity of a Cardinal on Mgr. Stepinac is the occasion, but not the cause, of the breach. The real conflicts have been in three fields — the education of the young, the recognition of Yugoslavia's frontiers and the development of the associations of priests loyal to the Yugoslav regime. It is instructive to compare the development of all three issues with the events in the East European satellite countries.

The analogy is closest in the case of education. Since the separation of Church and State in Yugoslavia, religious instruction is no longer part of the school curriculum, but is given by the priest outside the school. In law, parents are free to send or not to send their children to receive such instruction, as they please. In practice, there have been waves of Communist propaganda and pressure aimed at preventing Catholic parents, particularly in the villages, from making use of that right. The last big wave of that kind started early in 1951, when peasant opposition to the regime was strong for economic reasons and tended to find expression in religious demonstrations: the regime reacted with an anti-Church campaign. The Bishops replied, as they would have in any other country, by calling on the faithful to have the courage to stand up for their faith and to send their children to the priests whatever the pressure. The Church was united on this issue, and it won. As the economic roots of peasant mass opposition disappeared with the reform of economic policy and the improved economic situation, the Government and the Party gradually understood that this type of anti-Church campaign only served to keep opposition alive and pressure against religious instruction abated correspondingly in 1952. By the time of the Communist Party congress last month, the leaders found it necessary to remind the rank-and-file that the new policy of toleration towards religion did not apply to Party members.

Frontier Question

The picture is very different on the issue of Yugoslavia's frontiers with Italy. The Yugoslav authorities complain unceasingly that the Vatican is supporting Italian irredentism, both in the coastal province of Slovenia — the area adjoining Gorizia — as well as in the Croat part of Istria. It is a fact that although the frontier has been drawn by the Italian peace treaty, the Vatican has appointed only an apostolic administrator and no Bishop to the diocese of Novagorizia, thus marking its view that the separation from Italian Gorizia is only provisional. It is also a fact that Croat priests in Istria, who during the Italian occupation were ordered to abandon their traditional old Slav ritual and returned to it after the war, were told by Mgr. Oddi himself that such changes in ritual must not be made without direct permission from the Vatican. As for the Yugoslav-occupied "Zone B" of the Free Territory of Trieste, it is under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of Bishop Santin of Trieste, who is a life-long supporter of Italian national claims.

Failing a declaration of loyalty from the Catholic hierarchy, Marshal Tito's Government has chosen the way of fostering "priests' leagues" which are meant to combine the tasks of a professional association with a declaration of loyalty to the Government. The Leagues have not attacked the hierarchy, nor do they aim at a separation from Rome; their members are good Catholics who recognise the spiritual authority of their superiors. Nor are they asked by the Government — and that is where the difference between the new Yugoslav Communism and the Stalinist model comes in — to turn the Churches into propaganda halls and call on the people to participate in elections or to do their duty in a production campaign. All the Government wants is an assurance that they will loyally accept the permanence of the regime and its frontiers.

It is the recent attacks of the hierarchy on those priests' associations which must be considered the real root of the present conflict. Most of the Bishops had always considered membership of the priests' associations as "inexpedient," but had never banned it; the associations actually asked the Bishops to accept their statutes and negotiated on details for some time. Then, at the end of September, a Bishops' conference held at Zagreb decided to declare the founding and joining of such associations as impermissible and not merely inexpedient. The Government believes that this was done under instruction from the Vatican. Since then, the priests' associations have carried on, and their membership seems still to be increasing. But it is likely that the Yugoslav Government had been considering the breach with the Vatican ever since then.

Milder Reactions

In some of the Eastern European satellite States the regimes are making increasing attempts, despite the concessions made by the hierarchy, to intervene directly in the organisation of the Church, to appoint Church dignitaries and to promote a formal separation from Rome. In Poland several Bishops have just been arrested for encouraging a parents' vote in favour of religious instruction. There is no indication so far that Marshal Tito's regime intends any similar interference with the internal organisation of the Church. All the charges made in connection with the present breach with the Vatican refer to alleged Vatican interference with political issues, such as the frontiers of Yugoslavia and the question of the Priests' associations.

The truth seems to be that the Vatican, knowing Yugoslavia's dependence on Western aid, is attempting to put stiffer pressure on Marshal Tito's regime than it would dare to put on any of the Moscow satellites. But for the same reason it is unlikely that Tito's reaction, even after the breach, will go as far as that of the Eastern European regimes.

(OFNS)

RAMBLERS NOTEBOOK

Guardian of Abu Ghosh

TO believe that Père Alexandre Lannes of Abu Ghosh is about to leave us is really difficult. We had come to consider him inseparable from the proud Crusader Church, entrusted to his custody for 30 years. Père Alexandre gave the impression of a lovable survivor from "La France d'Outre Mer," the Crusader Kingdom of Jerusalem, less perhaps as it really was, than as it lived in the lays of Minstrels, and in Mallory's "Mort d'Artur," where so often, the Knight Errant rides down into a lovely vale at dusk to be hospitably welcomed by a gentle hermit. How often have we broken the journey to Jerusalem at the old Abbey of Abu Ghosh, where Père Alexandre's faithful servant threw open the gates to let the car pass into the idyllic garden with its ancient marbles and old pines. And on the porch of the monastery stood the Padre, a benign smile on his rubicund face so reminiscent of his ancestor, the Napoleonic Marshal.

The ribbon of the Legion d'Honneur was the only splash of colour on his cassock. If ever a good man deserved to be a knight, Père Alexandre deserved it. It is a pity that the State of Israel has no order to give as a parting gift to this priest and gentleman, whose influence was such that peace was never disturbed in his diocese.

Learned Historian

Père Alexandre made his own wine and a liquor of high merits. Every visit began with a ceremonial drink from the hallowed spring in the crypt of the church. Then, however, we spent many hours debating, with more potent beverage on the table. Père Alexandre was the learned historian of Abu Ghosh and the dynasty of robber-sheikhs. Many years ago, I published a theory about the origin of the first Sheikh Abu Ghosh, which Père Alexandre did not share. Now it can be revealed that for a couple of years I have known him to be right but did not want to say so, because I loved our discussions so much...

Père Alexander in his familiar role of welcoming guests to his church at Abu Ghosh.
Photo by Schlesinger

Père Alexandre Lannes is not only a learned chronicler and a champion of Arab-Jewish understanding, he also is an archaeologist of deserved fame. With Père de Vaux, the famous Dominican, he explored and restored the castle-church, built by the heights of St. John on the site, identified by Crusaders as the Emmaus of the Gospels. This "Castellum Fontenoide," the "Castle of the Spring," stood, as the two monks proved, on the Ruins of an early Arab caravanserai with three large pools to provide water for camels. The crypt of the church is built into one of the pools, the hall of the Knights into the second. The third is occupied by the village mosque of Abu Ghosh.

This mosque is called "Neby Uzeir" and the Prophet Uzeir, patron saint of Abu Ghosh, is no less a person than the Biblical Ezra according to Koranic commentaries. Ezra, finding the task of rebuilding Jerusalem beyond him was lulled into a hundred years' sleep by an angel. When he awoke, he saw Jerusalem rebuilt. Legend has it that this long slumber took place in Abu Ghosh and shows in the mosque the stump of a column, to which Ezra tied his donkey before he laid down to rest. On waking, this Babylonian Rip van Winkle found only some bones of his mount, a gentle preparation for the new century, to which he awoke.

A similar story is told about Jeremiah in early Jewish and Christian legends. Jeremiah, better known to Christian pilgrims, evidently took the place of Ezra as the sleeper and Christian legend recounts that the church was erected in commemoration of that event. Gradually this developed into the mistaken identification of Abu Ghosh with Anatoth, birthplace of Jeremiah.

Père Alexandre Lannes came to this country in 1902, immediately after his ordination, and to Abu Ghosh in 1922. He spent half the time of Ezra's sleep amongst us as priest, teacher, historian and archaeologist. But in these five decades he saw Jerusalem rebuilt—a transformation of the old legends of Abu Ghosh into reality. He will enjoy old age among the gentler hills of the Provence, but no wayfarer who ever rested at the old Hermitage in the hills of Judea, will ever forget him.

Th. F. M.

HAIFA ART NOTES

Prints, Pastels and Paintings

HAIFA Municipal Museum, Modern Art section, has just been presented with a magnificently bound and mounted portfolio of Daumier prints by the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, through the kindness of that Gallery's Curator, Mr. Rossiter, and Messrs. Russel-Allen and Barkai. The set affords a bird's eye view of Daumier's work on subjects dealing with domestic life, amateur theatricals and music, references to contemporary events etc. Now that the sources of inspiration have faded into the limbo of history, the drawings can be appreciated as such, for the captions only distract the attention from the draughtsman's busy, nervous line, his mass of detail and the immense significance given to the form of a fanatic or the sweep of a scholar — in short he knows how to fill his [illegible].

The blow to the [illegible] of the French middle class, inflicted by the debacle of 1870, is reflected in Daumier's work. After Sedan, he has to rely overmuch on caricature and distortion, while bourgeois foibles are just silly, not something against which to rage. Before 1870 his characters were tall, solid and comfortable. Daumier's personages can be reduced to two — the bully and the bullied. The amateur singers overwhelm their audiences by sheer force; the dandy who organises these theatricals accomplishes the same end by a false graciousness. The husband, suspicious of his wife's fidelity, is confounded by her vociferousness. The lawyer assures his clients that he too hailing from Normandy, they need have no fear for their suit. The concierge superciliously informs the meek lady that he has no apartments free. Always, however, both bully and bullied have a greedy, gaping mouth and large teeth. For Daumier the roles of bully and bullied are reversed when circumstances allow. It is merely the little man's abuse of power. An extremely valuable acquisition for Haifa.

H. Sobelsohn

The best of H. Sobelsohn's watercolours, pastels and drawings on exhibition at Salomon's, 4 Nordau St., are those which contain a tree or are based on trees. Of these the most successful is one which is unnamed: two trees whose foliage declines in direction and density to the level of the water. Here the composition is most happy. Generally speaking, trees supply the verticals for the build-up. Yet they just miss being really good work through some difficulty over the relationship of the trees or in contrasted shading. For example, "Israel Lanscape" requires only the elimination or alteration of the trees on the left. Take "Wadi Rushmiya," a deeper conception than appears at first sight — seen from one side, the composition shows a path connecting fore and background; overhanging leaves emphasize the buildings. But, examine the painting from dead front and the path loses its significance. An overall bond is then lacking. The nude of "At the Mirror" is very capable.

M.

Readers' Letters

"HAPPY AND BLISSFUL"

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — In your review of the press (December 19), you state that Mr. Bentov in a speech at the Vienna Peace Congress "compared the happy and blissful situation of Armenia (now a Soviet Republic) with the miserable lot of the Jews who had asked for American help."

We, Armenians, know better than Mr. Bentov how "happy and blissful" is the situation of our people in Armenia, and that's why there are millions of us who prefer to stay abroad and share "the miserable lot of the Jews."

We do not need to question Mr. Bentov about the source of his information; we hear the same thing nearly every night from Yerevan Radio. There are still a million Armenians outside Armenia, i.e. as many as there are in Armenia itself, who will remain outside until the day when the regime that has given Armenia and the other Soviet countries their "happy and blissful situations" has become past history.

Yours etc.,
N. B. Nigoghosian
Jaffa, December 19.

Z.O.A. HOUSE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As one of the many Tel Avivians who waited impatiently for the Z.O.A. House to be completed, I must express my disappointment on how it is now being put to use.

We thought this House would be a bond of American-Israel friendship; we hoped there would be lectures, a library, a place where we could learn something about Jewish-American art, culture and music.

Nobody ever thought that the Z.O.A. would build a house in order to let it for parties (and perhaps soon for weddings and bar-mitzvot).

It has also become a great nuisance to those who live in the neighbourhood, what with unlawful parking and hooting of horns until 2 or 3 in the morning, disturbing working people from their rest.

We just cannot imagine that this was the aim of the Z.O.A. when they planned this expensive building.

Yours etc.,
I. S.
Tel Aviv, December 23.

VALUABLE MATERIAL

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The kibbutz "Lochamei Hagetaoth" is establishing archives of the Jewish Resistance Movement during the Second World War, and sending its emissaries to Europe each year to collect material and do research, with the help of the Government and other official bodies in countries abroad.

Why should this enterprise, if it is worth while, be the special project of one kibbutz of one particular movement, and not of the Government of Israel as such? Valuable material, documents, books, paintings are thus becoming the property of one group.

Yours etc.,
H. B.
Amsterdam, December 18.

RADIO "ULPAN"

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Your radio reviewer's plea for a daily news broadcast in simple Hebrew made me realise how little use is made of the radio for teaching Hebrew altogether. Except for the spot "Know your Language" items there seems to be no teaching programme.

The fact that so many Hebrew courses are available should not lead the authorities to neglect the possibilities of the radio. There may be thousands of listeners who are too busy, too tired, or even too lazy to leave their home to attend a Hebrew class, but who would follow a 15 minute or half-hour programme in their homes.

Yours etc.,
ARYAH RUBINSTEIN
Rehovot, December 22.

PENFRIENDS

Enrique Gutierrez Gomez Hernan Cortes, 61, 3 Santander, Spain, has two sons who are interested in exchanging stamps with someone in Israel.

I am a keen student of Israel flora and would like to have seed of Linum pubescens, your common but lovely "Pink Flax" to have in my Surrey garden. If one of your readers could help me I would be eternally indebted to them. W. Pemberton, 485 Lynmouth Ave., Morden Park, Surrey, England.

Harry Jacobi, 74 Dee St., Aberdeen, Scotland.

I am anxious to correspond with a schoolteacher in Israel, being a member of that profession myself. Perhaps I should point out that I am a practising Christian, but spent three years in Palestine during the late war and am interested in developments there. I teach junior children (up to 11 years of age) R. H. Prall, Ipsley Mill Cottages, Redditch, Worcs., England.

Men and Things

LOOKING at communism the other day, Professor Arnold Toynbee described it as a weapon which one part of the world has taken up for use against the West. What is remarkable is that this menacing weapon was invented by the West itself; not Russia, but Bloomsbury and the Rhineland held the first patents. Without Marx and Engels, Joe Stalin wouldn't have arrived at all; or, if he did, he'd have had to think up something disconcerting of his own.

As it turns out, the boomerang which conveniently knocked down Tsardom, then sped back towards the lands of its origin in the setting sun with positively increasing velocity. That it should have been Western scientists and philosophers who first uttered the horrid ideas which now fly round the edges of the Iron Curtain is almost as disturbing as would be the supply of armaments from one's own factories to a foe.

The advantage of ideas as weapons is that they can so easily be twisted into any shape required. One concludes that if there were not at present a conflict between East and West in the name of communism, there would be one on other grounds. And discussion about the precise origin and meaning of ideas can go only a little way towards ending the trouble.

W. L. R.

Scottish Union and National Insurance Company

ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1950.

Balance of last year's account	£355,994	Overseas Taxes and Expenses not charged to other accounts	£165,393
Interest, dividends and rents (less Income Tax)	178,236	Provisions and Reserves	67,500
Life and Annuity, Fire, Accident, Marine and Capital Redemption Profits	14,925	Proposed Dividend (less Income Tax)	88,635
Transfer from Contingencies Reserve	70,000	Balance carried forward	330,113
Other Income	1,588		
	£620,[illegible]		£[illegible]

Note: Profits and Losses on Investments realised have been dealt with through Investment Reserve and Contingencies Reserve Accounts.

ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1950.

Capital Authorized —			Fixed Assets — Heritable Property (at cost, less amounts written off)	£[illegible]
580,000 "A" shares at £10 each	£5,800,000		Mortgages and loans	[illegible]
40,000 "B" shares at £5 each	200,000		Freehold Ground Rents, Feu-duties and Ground Annuals, less Reserve	[illegible]
	£6,000,000		Investments — Stock Exchange Securities and other Investments, less Reserves	[illegible]
Capital Issued —			Current Assets —	
574,935 "A" shares of £10 each (£1 paid)		£574,935	Due by other Insurance Companies and Agents, Premiums Outstanding and Sundry Debtors, less Reserves	[illegible]
6,684 "B" shares of £5 each (£3.15.0. paid)		25,065	Cash on Deposit, in hand and on current account	[illegible]
		£600,000	Other Assets	[illegible]
Capital Reserve		686,462		
General and Contingencies Reserves		1,504,556		
Profit and Loss Account		330,113		
Shareholders' Life Profits — Balance		96,458		
Insurance Funds, including Provisions and Reserves — Life and Annuity, Fire, Accident, Marine and Capital Redemption		21,410,080		
Staff Benevolent Fund, Staff Widow's etc. Annuity Fund and Staff Pension Fund Reserve		202,536		
Current Liabilities, Provisions and Reserves — Claims admitted or intimated but not paid		1,606,980		
Due to other Insurance Companies and Agents, Sundry Creditors, Provisions and Reserves		2,043,886		
Proposed Dividend for year 1950, less Income Tax		86,635		
		£28,740,785		£[illegible]

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ISRAEL
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF THE SCOTTISH UNION AND NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1950.

Interest not credited to other accounts	£40		Loss transferred from Fire Insurance Account	£112
Less: Israel Tax	4	£36	Head Office Expenses not charged to other accounts	26
Balance — Loss for year		102		
		£138		£138

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ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951.

Balance brought forward from last year	£330,113	United Kingdom Taxes	£70,000
Interest, dividends and rents (less Income Tax)	177,741	Overseas Taxes and Expenses not charged to other accounts	168,249
Life & Annuity, Fire, Accident and Marine Profits	152,121	Provisions and Reserves	64,500
Transfer from Contingencies Reserve	95,000	Proposed Dividend (less Income Tax)	94,500
Other Income	1,085	Balance carried forward	358,811
	£756,060		£756,060

Note: Profits and Losses on Investments realised have been dealt with through Investment Reserve and Contingencies Reserve Accounts.

ABRIDGED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1951

Capital Authorized —			Fixed Assets — Heritable Property (at cost, less amounts written off)	£645,629
580,000 "A" shares of £10 each	£5,800,000		Mortgage and Loans	1,265,196
40,000 "B" shares of £5 each	200,000		Freehold Ground Rents, Feu-duties and Ground Annuals, less Reserve	290,334
	£6,000,000		Investments — Stock Exchange Securities and other Investments, less Reserves	23,716,302
Capital Issued —			Current Assets —	
575,310 "A" shares of £10 each (£1 paid)		£575,310	Due by other Insurance Companies and Agents, Premiums Outstanding and Sundry Debtors, less Reserves	2,900,619
6,584 "B" shares of £5 each (£3.15.0. paid)		24,690	Cash on Deposit, in hand and on current account	1,639,166
		£600,000	Other Assets	196,751
Capital Reserve		698,462	Due by Life and Annuity Fund	2,795
General and Contingencies Reserves		1,509,983		
Profit and Loss Account		358,811		
Shareholders' Life Profits — Balance		72,965		
Insurance Funds, including Provisions and Reserves — Life and Annuity, Fire, Accident, Marine and Capital Redemption		23,094,963		
Staff Benevolent Fund, Staff Widows' etc. Annuity Fund and Staff Pension Fund Reserve		236,775		
Current Liabilities, Provisions and Reserves — Claims admitted or intimated but not paid		1,630,533		
Due to other Insurance Companies and Agents, Sundry Creditors, Provisions and Reserves		2,207,607		
Proposed Dividend for year 1951, less Income Tax		94,500		
Due to General Funds		2,795		
		£30,606,794		£30,606,794

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF THE SCOTTISH UNION AND NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951.

Profit transferred from Fire Insurance Account		£280	Head Office Expenses not charged to other Accounts	£21
Interest not credited to other accounts	£80		Balance — Profit for year	331
Less: Israel tax	8	72		
		£352		£352

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